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MOBILE TOWERS IN U.P.
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of locations of each district of Uttar Pradesh where mobile towers are likely to be erected in the next three years; and

(b) the steps being taken or proposed to be taken by the Government for proper functioning of the mobile services in the rural areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) All the district headquarters in Uttar Pradesh are already provided with Cellular Mobile Service. The Government has issued licence to various operators including BSNL to provide mobile services in Uttar Pradesh and these licensees are free to take their decisions within the framework of the licence agreement.

(b) Under the terms and conditions of Cellular Mobile Telephone Service Licence Agreement, there is no requirement of mandatory coverage of rural areas on the part of licensees.